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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

Public Service Department Extends Timeline for Request for Input Related to the Comprehensive Energy Plan.

**Montpelier, VT** – The Department of Public Service (PSD) today announces an extension for public input on the first phase of the Vermont Comprehensive Energy Plan (CEP) update.

In December, the PSD posted a *Request for Input* (RFI) on specific questions related to key policy and technology pathways that should be considered in the CEP to help meet Vermont's energy and emissions goals and requirements. The <u>RFI is available on the PSD website</u> at: <a href="https://publicservice.vermont.gov/content/2022-plan">https://publicservice.vermont.gov/content/2022-plan</a>.

To provide more opportunity to hear from Vermonters, responses to the *Request for Input* will now be accepted until **4:30 p.m. on February 15, 2021**.

This will not be the only opportunity for input on the CEP. Comments on the CEP may be submitted at any point in the CEP development process. Input can be provided via email to PSD.ComprehensiveEnergyPlan@vermont.gov, or by US Mail addressed to:

Public Service Department Attn: Comprehensive Energy Plan Comments 112 State Street Montpelier, VT 05620-2601

Any requests to be added to the email list for the CEP development process should also be sent to PSD.ComprehensiveEnergyPlan@vermont.gov.

The CEP is required by 30 V.S.A. § 202b and incorporates the Vermont Electric Energy Plan, required by 30 V.S.A. § 202. The last CEP was adopted January 1, 2016, and updates are required every six years. The CEP is a distinct requirement from the Climate Action Plan being developed by the Vermont Climate Council appointed as part of the Global Warming Solutions Act (GWSA), although the two efforts do overlap in several areas. Most directly, the CEP is expected to meet the greenhouse gas reduction requirements of 10 V.S.A. 578 and be consistent with the Vermont Climate Action Plan adopted pursuant to § 592 of the GWSA.

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